

Special town meeting for Number One dump site

Papers are being filed with the Town Clerk today, asking that the town have a special town meeting, for the purpose of considering the controversial Number One dump site, for the new town dump.

Over 200 signatures have been obtained, and the filing of the papers thus makes it mandatory that the selectmen call a special town meeting. The hope of those who are filing the papers is that the special town meeting co-incide with the annual meeting, on March 13th.

The Number One site, as it is called, is that next to the Woburn City Line, off Main Street. It was chosen by a special committee which had studied the proposals for a year. That committee

employed the firm of Metcalf & Eddy of Boston to study the problem from an engineering viewpoint. The study cost \$30 thousand.

Metcalf & Eddy, before

recommending Site One, did study on a total of five sites. They then declared the site next to the Woburn line to be the best one. As a result the engineering was quite thorough, and a ten year plan was prepared. No section was to be used more than six years, and a strong chain link fence was to be erected around the entire area. There would be 'loading' platforms, and other appurtenances.

The plans are that eventually, after ten years, the dump site would be converted into a playground.

Much of the land in Woburn, near the proposed site, is vacant, but there are homes along Main Street from which the residents have objected. There are other homes too, and Wilmington residents along Main Street have also objected.

Because of the controversy, Wilmington's selectmen, in preparing the warrant for the coming Town Meeting, carefully excluded the Number One site.

A few weeks ago selectman Miceli had a proposal for a dump site on town owned land north of

Route 125, but the Water Commissioners object. The land is dedicated for watershed for the Water Department.

During the past week members of both the Finance Committee and the Planning Board have made statements which show that both boards back the Number One site. Both boards, it is to be presumed, are prepared to defend their choice, on the floor of the Town Meeting.

Planning Board thinks selectmen seek powers

Article 28 in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting seeks to establish a Board of Appeals, to act on cases involving land and the Official Map, voted by the town several years ago.

There is already a Board of Appeals, which acts on appeals on rulings by the Building Inspector, regarding zoning, etc. The new Board of Appeals would presumably be another one, making two such boards in Wilmington.

The article, as written came under fire from the Planning Board, Tuesday night, with former chairman Arthur Harding firing most of the big guns. Harding says that the selectmen are not getting rid of their powers, now being used, to act as a Board of Appeals. He says they are only "getting rid of half of it."

Article 28, he says, seems to be a rewrite to articles that the Planning Board has had, in previous warrants for annual town meetings, but it is not. The selectmen, he charges, have kept out certain phrases, and he thinks this was deliberate. Those phrases would give the new Board of Appeals powers that will be denied, if the present article is voted in the March town meeting.

Harding reminded the other members that the selectmen, on each of the two occasions the Planning Board had such an article, had managed to "thwart" the article. The selectmen wanted the power to act on cases involving the

Official Map, he said.

The new article, according to Harding, has omitted certain key phrases which would give the (new) Board of Appeals certain powers. Chapter 81, Paragraphs 81K through 81GG are missing in this year's version, and were previously included in the versions by the Planning Board.

If the selectmen had acted according to law, as Harding presented the picture, they would have appointed the new Board of Appeals within three months after the town had adopted the Official Map. He pointed out that the law (section 81Z of Chapter 81) says the selectmen SHALL appoint such a Board of Appeals within three months of acceptance of an official map.

Instead, according to Harding, the selectmen chose to appoint themselves as a Board of Appeals, as they are empowered to do while waiting to make appointments - and chose to neglect to read further where they were supposed to make such an appointment within three months.

The Planning Board members were unanimous, in backing Harding.



A WELCOME TO WILMINGTON: After the installation in the Baptist Church, Sunday, the Rev. Everett Reed was welcomed to Wilmington with his family, by selectman Danny Gillis, chairman of the board. The welcome was in the hall of the parsonage.

From left: Ike, Rhonda and Sherry Reed. In back are Carol and her husband, the Rev. Everett Reed. To the right of selectman Gillis is Deacon Paul Marshall, of Billerica.

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Fred Bliss died in Iowa

Word was received in Wilmington yesterday of the death of Frederick W. Bliss, in Grundy Center, Iowa, on February 22.

Retired for many years, he was a Past District Governor of Rotary District 793, and was popular and well liked. He had lived for a few years with his son Hayward, 28 Glen Road, Wilmington, and before that in Wakefield.

He is survived, in addition to E. Hayward, by six children, William W. of North Bradford, Ct.; Zenas W. of Grundy Center, Iowa;

Rowland C. of North Branford, Ct.; Vernon H. of Rutland, Vt.; Mrs. George (Reba) Buckle of Waldorf, Maryland; and Mrs. Frederica B. Copp of North Branford, Conn.

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Clara Miller-Piper native of Newfoundland

Mrs. Clara L. Miller-Piper of 34 Burlington Ave., Wilmington died on Thursday evening, February 19, at Tewksbury Hospital following a brief illness.

Born in Hearts Content, Newfoundland 80 years ago, she was the daughter of the late Archibald R. and the late Dora (Rowe) Barrett. She lived and was educated in Newfoundland during her youth and had resided in Concord, Mass for many years where she was an attendant of the Trinity Episcopal Church of Concord.

She had lived in Quincy for 30 years where she was a member of the Quincy Business and Professional Womens' Association and Germantown Garden Club. President of the Purity Confectionary Company of Somerville, she also was a member of the Retail Confectionist Association.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Betty L. Weimer of Wilmington and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main Street on Saturday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. William Seaward of St. Mark's Episcopal Church of Burlington officiating. Cremation followed in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Regional Health Center

Relatives, friends and loved ones honored by contribution in their memory to the Regional Health Center in Wilmington this week include:

Judy Klimarchuk Tenney, lovingly remembered and sadly missed by her Klimarchuk family.

Mrs. H. Louise Morris dies

Mrs. H. Louise Morris, mother of Deputy Fire Chief James Morris of Tewksbury, died Monday, February 23, at Tewksbury State Hospital.

Born in Tewksbury, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and the late Maryann R. (McCarthy) Duffy, and resided in the town all of her life.

A graduate of Lowell Normal School, she was the widow of Leo F. Morris, Sr., and the mother of the late Lowell city auditor, Leo F. Morris Jr. She was an early member of St. William's Church.

Besides the deputy chief, she is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Andrew (Virginia) Demers of Lowell; Mrs. Phillip (Jean) Bradanick and Mrs. Fred (Louise) Donovan, both of Tewksbury; a sister, Mrs. Alice Duffy, who is a former Lowell school teacher; 29 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Thursday, February 25, at St. William's Church. Interment was to be in St. Patrick's Cemetery.

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In memory of John Velozo from Wilmington Little League.

In memory of Joseph O'Neill (N.Y.) uncle of Francis Thoresen (Tewksbury) from Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Coviello (Tewksbury).

In memory of Mrs. Doris Christiansen from the Sons of Italy.

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Wilmington United Methodist Church

The Rev. Richard L. Evans, minister, 658-4519 or 658-8217.

Sun. Feb. 28: 9 a.m., Early worship and communion; 10 a.m., Family worship, infant baptism and Sunday School grades nursery through six; 11 a.m., coffee and punch in Fellowship Hall; E. Wesley and Angelus Choir rehearsal in sanctuary; 2 p.m., rehearsal for "Rhapsody" combined choirs of the Wilmington churches; 6 p.m., Junior MYF MEETS IN Fellowship Hall; Senior MYF meets in Roberts Building; Prayer-Share time in the library.

Mon. March 1: 4 p.m., Confirmation class meets in Fellowship Hall; 7 p.m., Senior MYF Bible study meets at the Lester White's, 20 Marcus Road, Wilmington; Boy Scout Troop 58 meets in Roberts Building; 7:30 p.m., Junior MYF Bible study at the Ivan Curtises, 24 Beacon Street, Wilmington; Commissions on Education and Worship; 8 p.m., Commission on Christian Social Concerns.

Tues. March 2: 6 a.m., Earlybird Bible study in Fellowship Hall, light breakfast will be served; 7:30 p.m., Commissions on Missions and Evangelism; Chancel Choir will rehearse in Fellowship Hall; 8:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous in Roberts Building.

Wed. Wednesday: 9 a.m., Bible study at the home of Pat Robbins, Pleasant Ave., Tewksbury; 9:45 a.m., Bible study "Decision for Destiny" will meet in the library; 6:30 p.m., Girl Scouts in Roberts Building; 7:30 p.m., Pastor-Parish Relations Committee in the library. Special noon meeting of the United Methodist Women.

Thurs. March 4: 9:30 a.m., Lutheran Bible study meets at the home of Dee Hamilton, 25 Governor Peabody Road; 3:15 p.m., Girl Scouts in Roberts Building; 7 p.m., Wesleyans meet in Roberts Building.

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Shawsheen Tech School replies to criticisms

Answering criticisms from the Finance Committees lodged against the School Committee at Shawsheen Tech, Chairman John G. Murphy said last weekend that the vocational budget has been examined and scrutinized with a fine tooth comb. Several cuts have already been made, he said, totalling over \$200,000 and at least ten hours of budget deliberations were made with the Finance Committees from the five towns in the

school district, including Wilmington.

While Murphy objected to the charge that his committee refused to meet with the five FinComs to further examine the vocational budget, he noted "we are concerned with the spiralling tax rates in the towns, we are cognizant and sensitive to the economic situation and to the role of the finance committees in controlling spending, we have already slashed our budget in several areas." He revealed that on two occasions during budget deliberations the School Committee met with the FinComs from the five towns in the school district.

The total requested operating budget for fiscal 1976-77, to be raised and appropriated by the five towns is \$3,018,936. These funds will be matched by state and federal reimbursements available under various acts governing vocational education, for a total operating expenditure of \$6,206,220.

Wilmington must raise and appropriate \$531,796 at the upcoming March town meeting as opposed to \$590,417 last year. This reflects a decrease for Wilmington taxpayers and other decreases are evidenced in Burlington, Bedford and a slight drop in Billerica.

"The cost of preparing a student for entry into the labor market is high compared to a traditional high school," Murphy said, emphasizing that per pupil costs are higher because the equipment necessary for training must be similar to that used in the trades and it is expensive. Instructors must be highly skilled tradesmen and women and it would be totally ineffective to use outmoded and outdated equipment that does not perform like the real thing in industry."

Currently, Wilmington has a total of 206 full time students attending the vocational facility in grades nine through 12. Also, 50 students attend the afternoon occupational shop program that provides an intensive shop curriculum from 2:30 to 5 p.m. In the adult evening school program a total of 241 Wilmington residents attend classes.

The Rev. Baggetta Registry Chaplain

The Rev. Joseph J. Baggetta of the Immaculate Conception Parish of North Cambridge, formerly the much-loved "Brother Joe" of St. Dorothy's Parish of Wilmington and Tewksbury has been appointed Chaplain of the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

The appointment was announced last week by Registrar Robert A. Panora.

Genealogical Society meets February 28

The North Middlesex Chapter of the Massachusetts Society of Genealogists will have its monthly meeting, Saturday, February 28 at 1:30 p.m. at Spalding House, Pawtucket Street (next to Red Cross) in Lowell.

For further information and on regular meetings, contact Mrs. Florence Megraw, President, 229 Grove St., Reading 098-2800.

Register of Probate to support Carter

John V. Harvey, Register of Probate for Middlesex County, will support Jimmy Carter in his bid for the Democratic presidential nomination. Mr. Harvey, a long time veteran of Massachusetts politics, is helping to organize Middlesex County for the former Georgia governor and is working closely with the Carter staff in preparation for the March 2 Massachusetts primary.



Chris Briand is Udall delegate

Chris Briand of 2 Jordan Road, Wilmington, and Richard Williams of Lowell have been named the ranking Udall delegates, from the Fifth Congressional District.

Seven delegates and four alternates, pledged to presidential candidate Congressman Morris Udall have been elected in the Fifth District in a caucus held in the University of Lowell.

Mr. Williams is the Udall Chairman for the Fifth Congressional District and Christine Briand is on the staff of Congressman Tsongas of Lowell.

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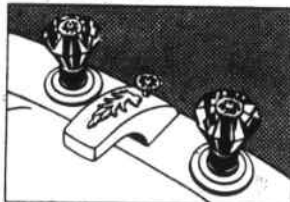
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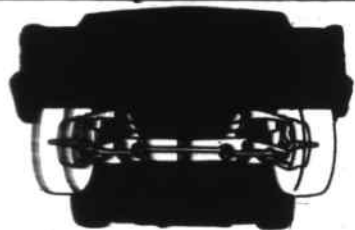


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Capt. Dave Hill, of the Wilmington Minutemen, in a green knee breeches suit, represented the Colonel, and Mrs. Dorothy LaFionatis, also known as Dame Cartwright, probably was representing the Colonel's lady. In any event she carried herself with aplomb.

There were many ladies from the Wilmington Women's Club, in Colonial gowns, acting as hostesses. The ladies of the Wilmington Minutemen poured herbal tea. Members of the History Club of Wilmington High School presented slide lectures.

The open house was the first exhibit of the work of Private William Meyer, of the Wilmington Company of Minutemen, on his volume about the men who served for Wilmington during the Revolution. It is quite a work, of which more will probably be said, in future years.



WHERE DR. SILAS BROWN: Wrote his letters to his soldier boy in the Union Army. The south window, in the Harnden Tavern, upstairs. The desk was loaned by Foster Balsar, and the lady is Eleanor Reed of Drury Lane.



SPINNING FLAX AND WOOL: Ellen and Rebecca Raja, of Lincoln, at their spinning wheels. Mrs. Raja, in the background, is spinning wool. Her daughter is spinning flax. The observer is Private Bill MacKinnon, of the Wilmington Company of Minutemen.

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President Ford's vote was sustained, last week, in the US Senate. That vote, in a way, was a blow to the Town Manager's plans.

The Wilmington sewer will come up in the Town Meeting as Article 19, when the voters will be asked to approve of the proposed route the construction. The entire cost is estimated at about \$7 millions. Possibly steps two through four will cost in excess of \$3 millions.

The Town Manager was hoping to get a substantial payment for the town, possibly as much as \$7 millions, if the vote in Congress had not been sustained.

As the bill was written, municipalities would have had to apply within 90 days, so that with the passage of Article 19 in the Town Meeting Wilmington would have met all the requirements.

But, even if the bill was vetoed, there is still hope. There is an "alternate" bill which the president hopes to get through Congress, calling for an appropriation of \$750 million in public works, in areas of high unemployment.



THREE IN COSTUME: Dame Cartwright (Mrs. LaFionatis), Joanie Merrill, an aide to Mrs. Passmore of the Historical Commission, and Warren Sheerin, of the Wilmington Company of Minutemen. The vest of Private Sheerin is of suede, made by himself.



HIGH SCHOOL HISTORIANS: Who had their own exhibit, during the Open House. From left: Marie Michaud, teacher Steve O'Brien, Dan Maynard and Susan Childs.

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Troop 136 is recruiting

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Interested candidates are urged to call 658-2881 or 658-5676 for more details.

Wilmington Senior Set

The Drop-in Center has begun a sand sculpturing class. The first class was held on Friday, February 20 and was well received by the seniors who participated. Another class will be held March 19 beginning at 1 p.m. at the Center.

The next Council on Aging meeting will be held on March 1 at the Center and will begin at 7 p.m. All local seniors are welcome to attend.

The dancing lessons are progressing with more seniors participating; they have learned the Amos Moses hully-gully, snoopy, the hustle as well as square dancing.

Seniors are asked to make suggestions regarding other programs for the Center. Call 657-7595.

Applications to Mass. Junior Conservation Camp

The Wilmington Conservation Commission is again accepting applications for the Massachusetts Junior Conservation Camp in Spencer, Mass.

The purpose of the two-week camp, which runs from June 27, 1976 to July 10, 1976, is to train the youths selected to appreciate the natural resources, and how best to protect the environment that supports them.

Three boys between the ages of 14 and 17 will be selected by the Commission. Written application should be sent to the Wilmington Conservation Commission, Town Hall, Wilmington, Ma., 01887, no later than April 15. A personal interview will be arranged at a later date.

Further information may be obtained by calling Nancy Kaufman, 658-6210.

Donald Conlin at Ft. Riley

Army Private Donald P. Conlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Conlin of 13 Gunderson Rd., Wilmington, has been assigned to the 63rd Armor, at Fort Riley, Kansas. He is serving as a crewman with Company A of the Armor's 4th Battalion.

Conlin entered the Army in September 1975, and completed his basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

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COATES: Baby boy, third child, third son to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coates of Grove Ave., Wilmington on February 15 at Choate Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Joseph DeCampo of Louisiana Rd., Tewksbury and Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Coates of Park St., Wilmington.

DONATO: Amy Lee, third child to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Donato (Madelyn Tumenas), of 32 Carleton Road, Tewksbury on February 12 at New England Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents include Mrs. Madelyn Tumenas of Medford and Edward Tumenas of Florida and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Donato of David Terrace, Norwood.

LEES: Beverly Ann, second child, first daughter to Mr. and

Mrs. John H. Lees (Nancy Bryant) of Dracut on February 17.

Grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Leonard R. Bryant St. of 5 Chase Rd., Wilmington and Raymond Lees and the late Ida Lees of Methuen.

Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wills of Largo, Florida.

McHENRY: Theresa Denise, second daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Terry McHenry of Arlington, Texas on January 28.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Victor Benz of Concord St., Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. William McHenry of Burbank, Oklahoma.

Great grandparents are Mrs. Dorothy Hall of Wilmington; Mrs. Laura Carrier of Auburn, Maine and Mrs. Elsie Campbell of Houston, Texas.

PALMER: Christine Amy and Scott William, first son, second daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Palmer of 25 Liberty St., Wilmington on January 29 at Lowell General Hospital.

Grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Roger Worth of Liberty St., Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. William Palmer of Sonoma, California (formerly of Tewksbury).

Great grandmother is Mrs. Alice Barrett of Malden.

Lenten services at St. Thomas

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, Masses during the Lenten Season at St. Thomas will be at 9 a.m. and 12 noon, Monday through Friday. On Saturday morning there will be only one Mass at 8:30.

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Sughrue suggests government innovations

John R. Sughrue, a candidate for Tewksbury selectman, has proposed two changes in town governmental operations he believes will improve services.

Sughrue wants selectmen to call all department heads together in conference prior to their finalizing budget requests with an eye toward setting priorities on town requirements.

He also wants selectmen to compensate or otherwise benefit town employees who provide suggestions which would successfully improve town operations.

The well known Tewksbury home builder said the departmental head conferences would result in fewer and lower funding requests on the town meeting floor.

"Right now everyone goes to the

town meeting and asks for almost anything, even if it means some other department won't get something that it absolutely requires," Sughrue said.

"In the end it often ends up that the best speaker gets what he wants, but the town doesn't necessarily get what it really needs."

Sughrue explained that the selectmen should call the conferences because they are the most visible and influential officials in the town.

"At the conferences everyone could say what he or she needed and explain why. If everyone is willing to cooperate and give and take, a list of priorities could be set. Maybe something someone says could be delayed could be dropped from budget requests so some other department could get something," he suggested.

Sughrue said there is a lot of brain power in town departments that isn't being utilized well because employees aren't being given enough motivation to make suggestions that could improve efficiency or cut costs.

"We should have departmental heads stress to everyone that the town is open to good ideas, and anyone who comes up with one will maybe get a day off or some kind of recognition for what he or she has done," he explained.

Sughrue stressed, "It has to start in the department with the department heads though."

On Ash Wednesday itself, Masses will be at 9 a.m. and 12 noon and 7 p.m. The 7 p.m. Mass will be a children's Mass. On all Fridays during Lent there will be Stations of the Cross at 3:30 in the afternoon and a family Mass at 7 in the evening.

There will be a five week study program on the "Way of the Cross" beginning March 10. The program will begin with the 9 a.m. Mass and will continue in the CYO hall immediately after Mass. All adults of the parish are cordially invited.

Weekend Mass will be held as usual at 4 and 5:30 p.m. on Saturday and 8:15, 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. and 12 noon on Sunday.

Confessions will be heard 15 minutes before the beginning of each Mass.

Letter on the Wilmington dump

Dear Captain Neilson:

The February 19 issue of the Town Crier incorrectly stated that the finance committee will approve any site that is presently town-owned for the town dump.

The finance committee favors utilization of the site recommended by the dump study committee and thoroughly evaluated by the engineering firm at Metcalf and Eddy. A great deal of money has been spent to establish suitability of this site and to duplicate such an expenditure on other possible sites would be a waste of town finances.

For the Finance Committee
Thomas E. Casey, Chmn.

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A PRE-DAWN FIRE: In Wilmington Friday claimed the lives of two brothers. Kevin W. Crowley, 24, of 123 West St., and Edward F. Crowley, 21, of Dorchester were trapped upstairs in a house that Kevin had been renting on West Street near Industrial Way. A third man, Michael Connors, 20 escaped, and was treated at Winchester Hospital. The two dead men were natives of Dorchester, the sons of a Boston motorcycle policeman killed in the line of duty 14 years ago. Their only brother is also deceased. They were buried in New Calvary Cemetery, Boston, on Monday.



EASTERN MASS STREET CAR: At Foster's Corner, in Tewksbury. The white home is the Enoch W Foster home, torn down later to make room for the Tewksbury Methodist Church. The building at right is Sam's store, then as now, operating at the same old stand. Photo supplied by James F. Hallett

Remember the old trolley car?

The old trolley cars that ran to Lowell. They are now a fading memory, but for many years it was the way to travel. From Wilmington to the Carter Farm was a nickle, and from there to Lowell was another nickle. The street cars ran once an hour, as far as Everett, and it was possible to connect with street cars running, for instance, to Worcester, or to Salem Willows.

When the Boston & Lowell Railroad was chartered, back before 1835, it was given an exclusive franchise to run cars to Lowell. That kept out the competition for many years, and the Boston & Maine Railroad (which

eventually absorbed the Boston & Lowell) had to be started as running northwest out of Wilmington towards Andover.

But, by 1900 there were street cars running to Wilmington, and then on to Billerica, via Shawheen Ave. There are still a few people who can recall 'Old Betsy' which wasn't a big car at all, and resembled the pictures of the Tonerville Trolley.

Old Betsy used to make the 'milk car run' among other things. One of the motormen was Raymond Fenton, father of Alan Fenton, Wilmington Realtor.

From Billerica one could board other street cars going to Lowell,

Donald Farrington at Fort Knox

Donald G. Farrington has been promoted to technical sergeant in the U.S. Air Force at Fort Knox, Ky.

Sergeant Farrington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Farrington of 19 Gunderson Rd., Wilmington, is a weather observer technician with a unit of the Air Weather Service.

The sergeant, a 1960 graduate of Wilmington High School, received his B.A. degree in sociology in 1968 at the University of Massachusetts.

His wife, Carol, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Shappell of 589 Watchung Rd., Bound Brook, N.J.

Bits & Pieces

Ten years ago

Ten years ago this week Wilmington Selectmen issued a call for a special town meeting to be held on April 4 for the purpose of changing town bylaws to accommodate the proposed Wilmington Stadium. ENCP E.H. Phillips celebrated the 25th anniversary of the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve in 1951. He joined the reserve the day it was formed; Joe Cuoco, fresh from a training session in Colorado was pictured in the Town Crier at the Town Park on ski patrol attempting to determine who had cut the rope on the ski lift.

Missed one

BeeDee missed at least one call last weekend - sorry. Anyone calling 658-2907 should note that the house is full of teenagers - they won't bite, but they sometimes don't remember to note a call. Insist - that's it insist on leaving your number and the call will be returned.

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so that there was travel between Boston & Lowell, but not direct travel.

Finally, in 1912, a direct line was opened up that went through Wilmington Square, to Lowell, and of course passed Silver Lake. That was when the camping boom hit that place, and South Tewksbury too.

The street cars continued to operate until about 1934, but the increase in traffic by automobile was making itself felt more and more. The writer is not certain as to the last day that a street car ran between Lowell and Wilmington, but it probably was in 1934.

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Recreation basketball

Semi-final playoff action set

It's playoff time once again in the Wilmington Recreation Basketball League with the senior boys and girls semi-finals set for this Saturday afternoon. In the opening set of games the Jades tap-off against the Diamonds at 12:30 p.m. followed by the Rubys-Crystals encounter at two o'clock. The boys' twin bill will get underway at 3:30 p.m. with the Lakers battling the Knicks followed by the Celtics game with the winner of Wednesday's playoff between the Bullets and Pistons. The championship finals will take place on Saturday night, March 6 at the high school gym.

In the other division the races are narrowing down to two team races, except in the squirt boys where the Hawks have clinched their divisional crown with a perfect 8-0 mark. Summaries of recent games played follow:

Sat. Feb. 21: In the junior girls set, the divisional leaders posted wins to maintain their two game lead. The Minks routed the Deers, 40-16 behind the scoring of Susan Rowe (13) and Linda Staffiere (10). Rosey Johnstone and Pam Sokilowski tossed in four points each for the fifth place Deers. The Bunnies put forth a strong team effort.

The Crystals clinched a playoff position in the opening game of the three senior girl tilts with a convincing 44-38 triumph over the cellar dwelling Emeralds. In the middle contest the Opals rolled to their second win in three days upending the division leading Rubys, 39-23. Denise Dorval paced the Opals attack with 17 points and Laurie Hastings added 10. Debbie Bent tossed in eight for Coach Burke's red and white club. Linda Rudnicki scored 21 and Sandy Carlson added 20 as the Jades topped the Diamonds, 61-53. Helen Bailey and Debbie Olson scored 17 and 16 each for Coach Smith's Diamonds.

The Bullets gained a playoff chance with a 67-56 triumph over

the Knicks in the opening game of the evening's senior boys loop. Dave Woods scored 21 and Tony Wood 20 to lead the upstart Bullets. Larry Burke took game high scoring honors tossing 22 for the Knicks, while Neil Wetzler added 16 and Bob Grant 10. The late Big W surge in gaining their fifth seasonal win. Joe Dooley led Val's with 21 points and Tom Woods added 15. Dick Gillis scored 17; Ray Noel 15 and Bob Gillis 14 for the Ford quintet.

Pistons eliminated the Royals from post season play with a 65-56 triumph over the orangemen. Tom Marden tossed in 22, Arti Ellsworth chipped in with 14 and Eddie Marden added 11 for the Pistons.

Dan Sullivan and Craig Vokey led the Royals' offense scoring 20 and 18 points respectively. In the nitecap, the Celtics exploded for 40 second half points to defeat the Lakers, 59-40. Mike Martin tallied 18 and Rich Medeiros 16 for Coach Kritter's division leaders; while Dave Carrozza tossed in 13 for Coach George's Lakers.

Sun. Feb. 22: The Pandas snapped their three game losing skein with a hard-fought 20-17 triumph over the slumping Foxes in the only junior girls game listed. Diane Doyle sparked the Pandas to their second seasonal win scoring a career high 12 points. Michele Forest and John Lombardi tallied seven and six each for the Foxes.

Helen Bailey scored 21 points and Debbie Olson 17 to lead the Diamonds past the Opals, 40-31 in the final regular season game for the seniors. In gaining a playoff berth the Diamonds had to come up with a strong second half effort to defeat the upstart Opals.

Denise Dorval was the high scorer in the contest tossing in 25 points; 17 of which came in the second half, but to no avail.

In the two junior boys games the Elks handed the Bulls their initial

loss of the season, 40-26 and the Broncos crushed the Seals, 54-26. Scott Nolan hooped 36 points to pace the improving Elks victory, while Bobby Marsi scored 10 for the Bulls who are not deadlocked for the divisional lead with the Colts. Glen Carlson put on a one-man show tossing in 41 points to lead the Broncos to their win over the Seals.

| WRBL standings | |
|--------------------|------|
| Men's division | |
| Jera-Lyn | 9-3 |
| Super Stars | 9-3 |
| Lucky Ducks | 6-7 |
| Shawsheen Plumbing | 5-6 |
| Val's Catering | 2-11 |
| Squirt girls | |
| Jays | 6-1 |
| Wrens | 6-3 |
| Doves 115-4 | |
| Robins | 0-10 |
| Squirt boys | |
| Hawks | 8-0 |
| Eagles | 5-3 |
| Owls | 3-4 |
| Gulls | 2-5 |
| Ravens | 0-6 |
| Junior girls | |
| Bunnies | 6-1 |
| Minks | 6-1 |
| Fawns | 4-3 |
| Foxes | 4-4 |
| Bees | 3-4 |
| Deers | 3-4 |
| Pandas | 2-6 |
| Kittens | 1-6 |
| Senior girls | |
| (Final) | |
| Rubys | 8-2 |
| Jades | 6-4 |
| Crystals | 5-5 |
| Diamonds | 5-5 |
| Opals | 4-6 |
| Emeralds | 1-9 |
| Senior boys | |
| (Final) | |
| Celtics | 8-2 |
| Lakers | 7-3 |
| Bullets | 4-6 |
| Knicks | 4-6 |
| Pistons | 4-6 |
| Royals | 3-7 |
| Junior boys | |
| Bulls | 5-1 |
| Colts | 5-1 |
| Elks | 5-2 |
| Broncos | 5-3 |
| Beavers | 4-3 |
| Cougars | 4-3 |
| Tigers | 3-4 |
| Bears | 2-5 |
| Seals | 2-6 |
| Lions | 0-7 |

MVHL all-stars

Wildcats Paul Crescitelli and Dan Burns were named to the 1975-76 Merrimack Valley Hockey League all-star teams this past week.

Goaltender Crescitelli shone in net all winter for the tourney bound Wildcats. Paul was named to the first team along with Andover netminder Dave Hill.

Burns, who finished fourth in the league scoring parade with 33 points, was named as a second team forward.

SPORTS
West School
carnival winner

The West Intermediate School in Wilmington retained the travelling trophy by winning the Recreation Department sponsored Second Annual Junior Winter Carnival conducted during February school vacation.

The carnival saw a see-saw battle between the North and West. The winning school was not determined until the final event, that being the ping-pong tournament which proved to be the clincher as the West dominated the event.

Highlights of the competition included a come-from-behind 38 to 36 squeaker won by the West fifth grade boys in overtime basketball. Gary Hastings and John Harris led the fourth quarter surge for the West to send the game into overtime.

On Wednesday the North boys won the eighth grade hockey game by a score of 7-4. Two goals each by Chris Briggs and Jim Burns led the way for the North. Susan Rowe and Karen Andres

also scored two goals apiece as the West girls topped the North girls in their jam hockey encounter by the score of 5-1.

The ice skating races held at the Youth Ice Arena proved to be an exciting match up as Dennis Foley dominated for the West while Cathy Ryan of the North along with assistance from school mate Linda Marsellini beat the West girls.

The ping-pong tourney held at St. Thomas was the deciding event resulting in the West edging out the North. In the girls division, the West took all four places with Susan Rowe, Lisa McGinley, Judy Ryan and Lisa Madden finishing in that order for the victorious West.

Rusty Ryan with a first and John Scanzaro with a third clinched the tourney for the West. Carroll Gillespie and John Murphy grabbed second and fourth for the North.

Celtics tickets
still available

Tickets are still available for the Celtics games against Seattle this Friday evening, February 27 and against Philadelphia on Sunday afternoon, March 21.

Tickets for the Seattle game are for High School age people and may be obtained from Mr. Diney at the High School or in the recreation office. The bus will leave the High School parking lot at 6 p.m. for the 7:30 tap off. Cost including bus fare is \$5.00 per ticket.

Tickets for the March 21 game vs the 76ers are available for all residents with the request that those under 12 years old be accompanied by an adult. Those interested in this game should pick up their tickets at the High School gym during basketball league games or at the Recreation office, 650-6512. Cost is \$5.00 per ticket with the bus leaving the High School parking lot at 12 noon for the 1:30 p.m. game.

Recreation thanks

The Recreation Department thanks all those who volunteered; St. Thomas and the coaches and players who displayed a sportsmanlike attitude throughout the week long event.

Little League
Registration

The Wilmington Little League baseball registration will be held on Saturday, February 28 and Saturday, March 6 at the Wilmington American Legion Hall from 10 a.m. until noon.

Children who will attain the age of nine years before August 1, 1976 and who will not attain the age of 13 years before August 1, 1976 will be eligible to register.

Each child is required to bring a birth certificate and two dollars for insurance. Children who played last year must register again this year.

Recs balance out Haverhill

The Wilmington Recs got goals games this season, five, than they from Diane Pumfrey. Laura did all last season in the com-

Miller and Janet Zamboni and positive Merrimack Valley Girls parlayed some outstanding goal Hockey League. tending by Maureen Maloney into This weekend the girls go up a 3-1 triumph over the Haverhill against Shawsheen with hopes of Aces last Sunday night in tying their series. The Recs won Tyngsboro. In the other MVHL, the initial meeting, 4-2, but the encounters. Nashua belted Spauls have taken the last two Shawsheen, 6-0; Chelmsford outwits by scores of 4-2 and 5-3. nipped Natick 1-0 and Hudson The face-off is listed for 4:50 p.m. slipped past Tewksbury 4-1 at the Skate 3 complex in The Miceli/Recs have now more Tyngsboro.

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| Snap On | 14-42 |

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Wilmington youth hockey highlights

Mite A: Posted three more wins to continue their winning streak.

On February 7, the A's topped Westford 8 - 1. Westford scored their only goal of the game at 6:05. Wilmington took charge of the game and Kenny Richter scored assisted by David Richards and Scott Poole. Then David Fuller scored assisted by Jay McFadden and with 23 seconds left in the period Robby Walden scored assisted by David Richards and Donny Costantino.

In the second period, David Fuller scored assisted by Jay McFadden. The A's scored four more times in the third period. At 7:06 Robbie Palmer scored assisted by Tom Craig and Peter Oikle. A minute later Tom Craig scored from Billy Woods. At 4:16 Donny Costantino scored assisted by David Fuller. With 2:09 left to play Tom Craig completed the scoring assisted by Kenny Richter.

On February 14 the Mites bested Lowell 3 - 1 in a solid hockey game.

Lowell scored their only goal of the game in the first period. Wilmington then iced the game in the second period with three goals.

Ralph Newhouse scored a quick goal to start the period off with assists going to David Richards and Robby Walden. Ralph Newhouse scored again a minute later assisted by David Richards. The final goal of the game was scored by David Buzzell assisted by David Fuller.

In the third period pressure was put on both goaltenders but the period ended scoreless.

On February 21, the Mite A's dominated Arlington in a one-sided hockey game. The Mites kept the pressure on Arlington but couldn't score until 2:26 when Donny Costantino put the puck in the net assisted by Peter Oikle and Jay McFadden. Wilmington scored twice in the second period, at 2:01



THE WILMINGTON WILDCATS: UNDEFEATED
Front row, l to r: Bob Magliozzi, Jeff Stauffer, Chuck McNeil, Darryl MacDonald, Frank Newark, John Cushing and Jeff Lux.
Rear: Bill Redler, Bill Robinson, Mike Moran, Jim Conte, George Boudreau, Bobby Williams, Ronnie Greenberg and Ted Moran.
Coach Don MacDonald is in the rear, at left.

Ralph Newhouse lit the lamp assisted by David Richards and David Needham. At 1:33 David Richards added to the score assisted by Peter Oikle and Ralph Newhouse.

The Mites exploded in the third period scoring five times. Goals were posted by David Fuller assisted by Robbie Palmer and David Lux. Thirteen seconds later Tom Craig scored unassisted. Then at 2:13 Scott Poole scored assisted by Robbie Palmer and Peter Oikle. At 1:22 David Fuller scored unassisted and 12 seconds later Danny Kane closed out the

scoring assisted by David Fuller. Goalie Brian Surette played three solid games in net making many fine saves and posting his third shutout of the season.

Pee Wee A

Feb. 18: Last place North Reading defeated the Pee Wee A's last Wednesday by a 2 - 1 score with only 10 seconds left in the game. Wilmington scored first at 10:50 of the second period with the goal going to Peter Orlando assisted by Benny Scuzzaro and Rick Zambardi.

North Reading got the tying goal at 5:30 of the third period. The

winning goal was an unassisted effort following an end to end rush by a North Reading defenseman. In spite of a 25 - 15 shot advantage, Wilmington could muster only one goal.

Pee Wee B's

Wilmington Pee Wee B's continue undefeated in the B circuit. Topping Peabody 9 - 2 Saturday with a strong team effort typified by the fact the nine goals were scored by nine different teammates.

In the first period Mike Moran, Jeff Stauffer, and George

Boudreau lit the lamp. Bob Magliozzi and Jim Conti scored in the middle period with Ron Greenberg. Darrel MacDonald, Chuck McNeil and Tee Moran clicking in the final stanza.

The three up-ice men who did not score were on the assists portion of the score sheet Bob Williams, three times; John Cushing twice and Bill Robinson once.

Out shooting Peabody 49 - 6 Wilmington dominated play throughout the entire game.

Wildcats unbeaten

The Wilmington Wildcats of the Wilmington B League have broken all Wilmington records, for winning, and are now breaking records of the American Hockey Association.

The team, during this winter, have had 23 wins, no losses and two ties. The ties were with South Boston and Reading.

Their coach is Don MacDonald, and the determined pucksters are going on and on, with no defeats. There are fifteen sets of very proud parents - proud of their sons, and of Coach MacDonald.

Intramural standings

| Mites | |
|-----------|------------|
| Gulls | 13- 2-2-28 |
| Blades | 10- 5-1-21 |
| Buckaroos | 4-10-3-11 |
| Blazers | 4-14-0- 8 |
| Squirts | |
| Braves | 14- 2-1-29 |
| Bears | 10- 6-1-21 |
| Americans | 6- 8-1-15 |
| Aces | 1-15-1- 3 |
| Pee Wee | |
| Penquins | 8- 3-2-18 |
| Blues | 8- 5-0-16 |
| Flyers | 7- 7-1-15 |
| Kings | 5- 6-1-11 |
| Canucks | 3-10-0- 6 |
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They're home

Frank Darling Sr., of Eames St., Wilmington has returned home from New England Memorial Hospital where he was confined last week for treatment and Dorris Hovey of Glen Rd., has returned from Winchester Hospital after a two-weeks confinement during which she underwent surgery.

Visit Florida

A Wilmington resident, Mrs. Bonnie Block of Shawshen Ave., is currently enjoying a 10-day vacation in Orlando, Florida. Mrs. Block is accompanied on her trip by her mother, Mrs. Cap McCabe (of Jay's of North Reading) and her sister Sharon, also of North Reading.

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Birthdays

Eric Ouelette of Burlington Ave., Wilmington who will be eight years old, will actually be celebrating his birthday for the second time on February 29; although it's his 30th year, Steve Berghaus of Chestnut St., will be celebrating his first birthday in Wilmington on March 1; Bill Cavanaugh of Main St., will turn another page on March 2; Jonathan Hensey of Andover St., will "blow out the candles" for the eighth time on March 4.

Ted Wicks of Gunderson Rd., Wilmington will be sharing greetings with Mark Linehan of Marcia Rd., on March 5; Mike Downs of Woburn St., will make it all the way to 14 on March 6.

Pat and Alice

Area youngsters between the ages of six and 13 interested in becoming part of a drum and bugle corp are urged to contact either Alice Hooper of Allen Park Drive, Wilmington or Pat Mulkern of Rollins Rd.

From the fire log

Members of Wilmington's Fire Department answered 25 calls for assistance between February 14 and February 22 including:

Two brush fires; two service calls; two building fires; one false alarm; three dumpster fires; one mattress fire; 11 ambulance runs; one call for mutual aid; one gas wash and one car fire.

Return from Florida

Paul and Ruth Smith of Laurel Ave., Wilmington returned home this week following an enjoyable month-long tour of Florida.

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George Szadis

For the second time in several weeks, George Szadis of Lloyd Rd., Wilmington is a patient at St. John's Hospital.

Radio personalities?

On WCAP radio, Saturday from 12 noon to 1 p.m., Wilmington Selectmen and Finance Committee members will be interviewed regarding town problems.

New examiner

Gov. Michael S. Dukakis and Owen L. Clarke, commissioner of the Department of Corporations and Taxations recently swore a Wilmington resident into office as an examiner for the Tax Department during special ceremonies at Faneuil Hall, Boston.

Anthony F. Gentile, Jr. of Sherburn Place was one of 100 new examiners who took the oath of office.

On Dean's list

As a result of his scholastic standing, Steven W. Coursey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Coursey of Frederick Drive, Wilmington has been named to the Dean's List at Bates College, Lewiston, Maine for the first semester of the 75-76 college year.

Steven, a member of the class of '77 made a 4.0 quality point ratio, placing him among the 50 Bates students receiving a straight "A" average for the semester.

LOST BANK BOOK: The following bankbook is lost and application has been made for payment of the amount in accordance with Sec. 20, Ch. 167 GL. Payment has been stopped. Bankbook 10-000-723 Melrose Savings Bank, F26, M4

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On President's list

Br. James F. Profirio of St. Thomas' Parish and son of Mr. and Mrs. James Profirio of 4 Nickerson Ave., Wilmington has been named to the President's List at Boston State College for the fall term '75.

The honor is given to students who have achieved a quality point of 3.5 or better. Brother Profirio is currently working toward his B.S. in Elementary Education, with graduation in 1977.

Brother Profirio will be observing his birthday on March 9.

Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John Wills, formerly of Melrose and now of Falmouth, Cape Cod and Largo, Florida are the parents of Mrs. Helen Bryant of Chase Rd., Wilmington.

The Wills' celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary of February 14. They are the parents of six children and have 17 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

A family reunion is planned when they return north for the summer.

Accepted to Wentworth

Three Wilmington residents have been accepted for admission to Wentworth Institute in Boston for the 76-77 academic year.

Included are Kenneth Savage, Jr. of Dorchester St., Charles Kidder of Wildwood St., and Michael A. Peters.

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An occasional column

Election race is different this year

by Bob Morris

Tewksbury's election race is shaping up as among the most interesting and confusing political in years on the local scene.

In the race for two seats on the board of selectmen, five candidates each have their strengths and weaknesses and may end up spreading the vote very thin indeed.

Among other political contests, two incumbent school committeemen, the town auditor and a town assessor apparently will face opponents at the polls. But only three days for filing nomination papers for town office Saturday, February 28, there was no firm indication anyone was running for any of the nine other offices open this year except incumbent George B. Donovan of the planning board and Wilson E. Brazile of the regional school committee, who seeks re-election.

It would take a pretty courageous political observer to predict the outcome of the selectmen's race.

Many voters have been unhappy with the personal attacks and rigid 3-2 vote patterns on the board of selectmen in the past few years. That could hurt incumbent Joseph J. Whelan, who seeks reelection. Indirectly it could also hurt candidates John A. Williams and William D. Hallisey, who have the open support of incumbent Frank A. Antonelli, whose term won't expire until 1977.

Whelan also lost a lot of friends among senior citizens last year when a new majority of selectmen, lead by him, replaced an old majority lead by Antonelli.

The new majority replaced most members of the Council on Aging, and named Whelan to replace Antonelli as the board's representative on the council. That caused an uproar among senior citizens who supported many of the former members, but that rhubarb was dwarfed by the screams among elderly residents that came when the new majority on the council named Whelan to replace the extremely popular Robert McDonald as chairman, though McDonald had been reappointed as a member.

Since that time Whelan has devoted a good deal of time to activities on behalf of the town's senior citizens, but it remains to be seen if he has regained the strength he lost among older voters last year.

If Williams and Hallisey have problems because of their ties to an incumbent selectmen, two other non-incumbents have problems because of their personal ties.

John R. Sughrue is a home builder, a profession frowned upon by many residents who remember building and zoning abuses of the past. At least some voters are likely to fear having someone in that trade in a position of power over the building inspector and wetlands hearings.

Richard P. Morris is a retired firefighter. Some voters may get nervous about the prospect of having someone negotiating contracts with a group to which that same person once belonged.

A problem all five candidates for selectmen share in common is their numbers and in many cases their common supporters. Five has never yet gone into two without producing three zeros.

Whelan, Sughrue and Morris all draw support from a number of businessmen and municipal employees. Each could theoretically lose half of their votes as their supporters shakily choose two from among three men they would like to see in office.

Since Walter A. Sedleski, who opposes the present majority among selectmen, withdrew as a candidate for that board, Hallisey and Williams haven't had to worry about a three way split among critics of the present board. But like the other three candidates, they each have their personal supporters, and some of those supporters may not like both of them.

Among the other active battles for office, the main issues are likely to be whether voters like what the incumbents have been doing.

If they do, school committeemen H. Bailey Trull and Joseph W. Lipchitz, Town Auditor Thomas E. Berube, Assessor John J. Nolan will be returned to office. If they don't, the school committee will apparently have Virginia H. Coviello, David Hart or John McDermott as new members, William O'Neil will be assessor and Al Joyce will be a new auditor.

As of Wednesday, February 25, no one had formally announced his or her candidacy for moderator, two seats on the board of library trustees and one each on the health board, regional school committee, housing authority and trust fund commission. Maybe no one will run for those offices?

St. Dorothy's Church

The Rev. J. Kevin McAndrews, pastor; the Rev. William P. Smith, associate pastor; 658-3550.

Baptisms: Second and fourth Sundays of the month; parental instruction first Fridays at 8 p.m.

Masses: Sundays at 7:30, 9 and 10:30 a.m. and 12 noon; Saturday Vigils at 4, 5:15 (Folk Mass) and 7 p.m.; First Fridays at 9 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; daily Mass at 9 a.m.

Confessions: Saturdays from 3:30 to 4 p.m. and after the 7 p.m. Mass; evening before first Friday from 7:30 to 8.

CCD: Office hours Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Monday and Thursday evenings from 7 to 8. 658-9713.

CCD Classes: Grades one, two and three, home classes; grades four, five and six meet Saturday morning from 9 to 10 and from 11 to 12 noon; grade seven, Monday evenings from 7 to 8; grade eight Thursday evenings from 7 to 8; grade nine next meeting is Sunday, March 7 from 7:15 to 9 p.m.; grade 10 next meeting is Sunday, February 29 from 7:15 to 9 p.m.

Wilmington First Baptist Church

The Rev. Everett Reed, pastor; 658-8584.

Thurs. Feb. 26: 7:30 p.m., Christian Service Brigade Battalion - boys ages 12 through 18.

Fri. Feb. 27: 6:30 p.m., Pioneer Girls, grades one through six; Christian Service Brigade Stockade, boys ages eight through 11.

Sat. Feb. 28: 4 p.m., Good News Singers rehearsal; 7 p.m., Pairs & Spares.

Sun. Feb. 29: 9:30 a.m., Church School for all ages; 11 a.m., Morning worship service, The New Creations, a male quintet will be sharing songs and testimony (nursery care is provided); 5 p.m., Senior High BYF; 7 p.m., Evening service.

Tues. March 2: 6 a.m., Men's Bible study; 7 p.m., Shikari, girls in grades seven through nine.

Wed. March 3: 9:30 a.m., Women's Bible study; 7 p.m., Prayer Fellowship.

The public is invited to attend any or all of the above meetings and services.

Troop 63 Court of Honor

Troop 63, Boy Scouts of America held its mid-winter Court of Honor with many boys receiving merit badges and badges of rank.

Badges of rank were presented for Tenderfoot to Don Long, Dave Maxwell and Jim Reitchel. Second class awards were given to Bill Lang and Jim Miceli. First class achievements were made by Ray Hosmer and Tony Caperci. Star was given to Brian York, Dave Bachman and Brad Keough.

The troop is also sponsoring an adult benefit dance to be held March 6 at Villanova Hall at 8:30. For information call John Virtus, 658-5486.

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The Hidden Heroine is found

Lillian Woodside, better known as Lil, is a lady who has had more than a few honors, during her lifetime. She and her husband operated the pharmacy in Wilmington Square for years, and she is widely known, and just as popular, as a result. Among other things she has been the driving force behind the Regional Health Facility, proposed for Wilmington.

A few years ago a Wilmington businessman bkingly termed her 'The Smiling Cobra'.

To Lil that was a very good joke. It still is.

A few years ago she was the recipient of the Good Guy award, in Wilmington.

Last Tuesday she was the recipient of two awards, both from

the Girl Scouts.

Evelyn Kaminski, of the Baldwin Neighborhood presented a plaque, at a meeting in the Elks Hall in Tewksbury, Tuesday morning. It was a total surprise to Lil, who learned for the first time that the Girl Scouts had wanted her to go to Washington DC to represent the Baldwin Council. The award was termed 'The Hidden Heroine'.

That same evening, at the meeting of the Wilmington Community Fund, Lil was 'pinned', by which it is meant that she was made an Honorary Girl Scout. Again the award came from Evelyn, and it was an honor that Mrs. Woodside deeply appreciates. For once she was almost, but not quite speechless.



Evelyn Kaminski and Kathleen Affarian, with Lil, at the Elks Hall Tuesday morning.



A beaming Lil shows off her Girl Scout pin, on her sweater.

Family Counseling

The Wilmington Family Counseling Service, Inc., provided service to 116 families in the community in 1975 according to Dr. Carol Golub, psychologist-director.

"These families received 859 individual and family counseling and therapy sessions and 48 group counseling and therapy sessions. This service represents a seven per cent increase over 1974.

Responses to an evaluation questionnaire mailed to clients last spring indicate that clients overwhelmingly are satisfied with the service received from the W.F.C.S. The agency was rated as helpful by 91 per cent of the clients returning the questionnaire and 95.5 per cent of them indicated they would refer their friends to the agency.

Officers of the board of directors elected at the meeting are Mrs. Mildred Wolff, president; Dr. John Silvers, vice president; Mrs. Anna Law, treasurer; Mrs. Doris Nash, secretary. The other directors of the board are: Dr. Erwin Chernoff, Walter Coleman, Joseph Courtney, the Rev. Richard Evans, Anthony Ferrara, Pat Gillingan, Dr. John Marshall, Barbara Michaud, William Redman, Charlotte Stewart.

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Pre-school films at library

Every Friday morning from 11 to 11:15 during the month of March free films will be shown in the Conference Room of Wilmington Memorial Library for pre-school youngsters and their kindergarten brothers and sisters.

There is no registration necessary for this popular four-week program, but children must be accompanied by an adult.

Registration will be required for the Spring Story Hour Program for four year olds which is planned for

Four definitions on new zoning law

Chairman Bill Hooper of the Wilmington Planning Board said, Tuesday evening, that there are four 'opinions' that he has had,

Congregational Church

George B. Taylor, III, minister; Robert A. Jacob, minister to youth; 658-2284 or 658-3801.

Sun. Feb. 29: 11 a.m., Worship service; 7:30 a.m., Mem's Bible study with breakfast; 9:30 a.m., Church School, Kindergarten through adult; 11 a.m., Kinderkirk and Junior Church; 4 p.m., Junior High Fellowship; 7 p.m., Senior High Cabinet; 7:30 p.m., Senior High Fellowship.

Thurs. Feb. 26: 9:45 a.m., Prayer and Bible study group; 7 p.m., Boy Scouts.

Fri. Feb. 27: 7 p.m., Bible study group at the Winchester Continuing Care Unit.

Sat. Feb. 28: 6:30 p.m., Couples' Club spaghetti supper; for reservations call the Kashians, 658-6436.

Mon. March 1: 7:30 p.m., Diet Workshop.

Tues. March 2: 6:30 p.m., Junior Girl Scouts.

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Wed. March 3: 8:30 a.m., L.B.S. Board meeting; 10:15 a.m., Business meeting; 11 a.m., Material Aid Workday; 11:45 a.m., Dessert Lunch-West Branch, hostesses; 6 p.m., Cherub Choir Rehearsal; 6:15 p.m., Junior Choir rehearsal; 6:30 p.m., Cadette Girl Scouts; 7 p.m., Senior Choir Rehearsal; 7 p.m., Senior High Fellowship Bible Study group.

four weeks during April and May.

For further information on either program, call the Children's Department at the library (658-2967).

AA speakers at St. Thomas

St. Thomas of Villanova Church in conjunction with the Wilmington Council of Churches will sponsor an Alcoholics Anonymous speakers' night on Sunday, March 7, in the CYO Center at St. Thomas of Villanova Church.

Mass will be celebrated at 7 p.m. and the talk will begin at 7:30 p.m. All Wilmington High School students are cordially invited.

regarding the new zoning law, chapter 808 of the Acts of 1975.

The Department of Community Affairs, the Attorney General's office and the Wilmington Town Counsel, he said, have said that a local zoning change, as discussed last week, does not automatically change the law, in a town.

On the other hand, Hooper said, the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission (MAPC) says it will.

Hooper said the check had been made by himself and Roger Watkins, Planning Consultant to the board.

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Wednesday: Tomato-Alphabet Soup, Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich, Carrot Sticks, Scooter Pie and Milk.

Thursday: Meatball Submarine, Buttered Corn, Potato Sticks, Jello with Topping and Milk.

Friday: Fruit Punch, Italian Style Tomato and Cheese Pizza, Garden Salad, Ice Cream and Milk.

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Tuesday: Hamburg and Gravy, Whipped Potato, Buttered Sliced Beets, Applesauce, French Bread and Butter, Midnite Chocolate Cake and Milk.

Wednesday: Crispy Fish on a Roll, French Fries, Catsup, Buttered Mixed Vegetables, Scooter Pie and Milk.

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The Shawsheen Avenue Bridge is beside that old house. It is now closed to traffic, because of the new bridge spanning the Boston & Maine railroad, half a mile north.

During the planning stage and construction of the new bridge some of the land at the old Canal House was taken, by eminent domain, by the Commonwealth. The

idea was to provide for a 'turn-around' for automobile traffic at the foot of Shawsheen Avenue. The land was paid for, and became the property of the state, and in turn it became the property of the town, when the turn-around idea was abandoned.

The area of the taking was 11,904 square feet, which amounts to a small house lot, in some parts of Wilmington. The total area of the old Canal House property is about 5½ acres.

There is an article in the Warrant for the annual Town Meeting (Article 19) which proposes that this land be discontinued as a Town Way. Tuesday evening the Wilmington Plan-

ning Board discussed that article at length.

The board decided that the town should keep the land, at least for the time being. The decision of course has no force of law. It was a matter of the position which the Planning Board would adopt, in the Town Meeting.

Arthur Harding, former Chairman, former Town Engineer, led the argument for the retaining of the land. And in the end he won. The other members voted unanimously with him.

The land, Harding said, is now owned by the town 'in fee', meaning that it is clearly town property, as distinguished from roads, which are town property as a matter of convenience to the public. Owning the land would make things much more simple, he said, when the time arrives to construct the new Silver Lake Sewer. He had no doubts that the family which formerly owned the land had been paid for it.

The route for the proposed sewer is right through the land, Harding said, and if at the time of construction the town owned that land things could be much more simple. A lot of engineering and legal difficulties would be solved by the town's ownership.

Besides, Harding said, the site is an ideal place for the location of the temporary headquarters for the engineers who will be in charge of the sewer construction. And he convinced his fellow members of the soundness of his ideas.



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The School Committee reserves the right to reject all bids. Any bid submitted will be binding for thirty (30) days subsequent to the date of bid opening.

John Brooks, Chmn.
School Committee
Town of Wilmington
County of Middlesex
159 Church Street
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By: Anthony J. DeLuca
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS FIDELITY COURT

Middlesex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of Peter J. Shaw, late of Wilmington, in said County, deceased.
A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by Mrs. A. Angellina of Shawsheen in the County of Middlesex praying that he be appointed executor thereof.

If you desire to object thereto prior your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twelfth day of March 1976, the return day of this citation.

Witness, EDWARD T. MARTIN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twelfth day of February 1976.
JOHN V. HARVEY,
Register

F19.26.11

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS FIDELITY COURT

Middlesex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of George W. Klugger late of North Reading in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Albert R. Klugger of North Reading in the County of Middlesex be appointed administrator of said estate, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto prior your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighteenth day of March 1976, the return day of this citation.

Witness, EDWARD T. MARTIN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of February 1976.
JOHN V. HARVEY,
Register

F19.26.11

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT

Case No. 2224-S
(SEAL)

Upon the petition of Peter L. Pellerin and Josephine Pellerin, representing that they are the grantees in a deed from Carl T. Davidson and Theresa J. Davidson, being Document No. 65761, said Davidsons being the holders of a deed from the Treasurer of the Town of Wilmington, a municipal corporation in the County of Middlesex, and said Commonwealth, registered as Document No. 52385, both said documents noted on Certificate of Title No. 3281, issued from the North Registry District of Middlesex County, the sale under which has been duly determined by the Tax Commissioner for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to be a sale under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 79 and any amendments thereto; that the original deed for non-payment of taxes was entered as Document Co. 22652, noted on certificate of title, and praying that said certificate be cancelled as to Lot 27 shown on Plan No. 2224-C, Sheet 1, and a new one issued to the petitioners as owners, pursuant to law; therefore, it is

ORDERED that notice of this petition be given forthwith TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN by publishing a copy of this order in the Town Crier, a newspaper published in said Wilmington, once each week for three successive weeks against:

Joseph A. Fisher, formerly of Marblehead, County of Essex and said Commonwealth, or his heirs, devisees, or assigns,

and if you desire to make any objection or defense to said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objection or defense to each part of said petition, in the office of the Recorder of said Court, in Boston (at the Court House), on or before the 8th day of March, 1976.

Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, the said petition will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree or order as the Court may make.

By the Court.

MARGARET M. DALY
RECORDER
A True Copy Attest
MARGARET M. DALY
RECORDER

Dated: February 3, 1976
F12.19.26

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT

(Seal) Case No. 78235 Misc.

To Rene R. Madore and Virginia M. Madore, both of Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth; and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended: Worcester County Institution for Savings, a duly existing corporation, having an usual place of business in Worcester, in the County of Worcester and said Commonwealth, claiming to be the holder of a mortgage covering real property in said Town of Wilmington, Middlesex County, numbered No. 49 Burnap Street, given by Rene R. Madore and Virginia M. Madore to said Worcester County Institution for Savings, dated December 19, 1972, and duly recorded with Middlesex County, Northern District, Registry of Deeds, Book 2045, Page 69, has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the twenty-ninth day of March 1976, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, WILLIAM I. RANDALL, Esquire, Judge of said Court this eleventh day of February 1976.
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A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall Annex, 150 Middlesex Avenue on Tuesday evening March 9, 1976 at 7:00 p.m. on the application of Ruth Cathill, Cunningham Street to obtain a variance to subdivide a lot into two non-conforming lots, both having insufficient depth and area. (Assessor's Map 69, parcel 74).

F19.26

Bruce MacDonald
Board of Appeals

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of Mary H. Tucker late of North Reading, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by Kenneth C. Latham of Reading in the County of Middlesex praying that he be appointed executor thereof without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twelfth day of March 1976, the return day of this citation.

Witness, EDWARD T. MARTIN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of February 1976.
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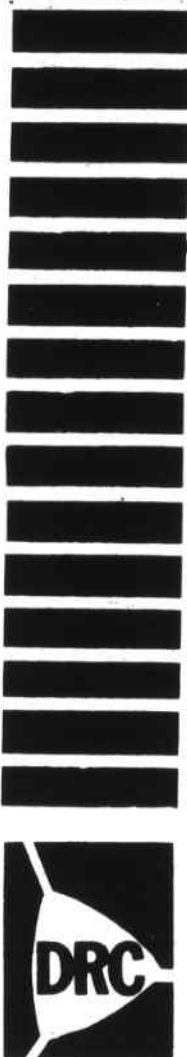
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